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| Office Action Summary | Examiner Alton Pryor 1616 |
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| Responsive to communication(s) filed on | • |
| 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This ac | tion is non-final. |
| 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213. | |
| Disposition of Claims | • |
| 4) Claim(s) | is/are pending in the application. |
| 4a) Of the above, claim(s) 4, 5, 9, (0, | is/are withdrawn from consideration. |
| 5) Claim(s) | is/are allowed. |
| 6)X Claim(s) 1-3, 6-8, 11, 13 | 2, 15 - 17 is/are rejected. |
| 7) | is/are objected to. |
| | are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. |
| Application Papers | |
| 9) \square The specification is objected to by the Examiner. | |
| 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are objected to by the Examiner. | |
| 11)□ The proposed drawing correction filed on is: a)□ approved b)□ disapproved. | |
| 12) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. | |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 13) □ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d). a) □ All b) □ Some* c) □ None of: | |
| 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. | |
| 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No | |
| 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). | |
| *See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. 14) Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e). | |
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| Attachment(s) | |
| 15) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 18) Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). |
| 16) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 19) Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 17) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). | 20) Other: |

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or composition.

I. Claim Rejection under 35 USC 103(a) according to Valcke et al will be maintained in light of amendment filed 5/7/01 for reasons on record and reasons as follows. New claim 17 is added to this rejection. Valcke suggests the non aqueous emulsifiable concentrate of the instant invention. The instant carbon chain length of the alkoxylated alcohols as well as the instant amounts/ratios of ingredients would have been determined during routine experimentation. A statement to the intented use for the concentrate has no patentable significance in a claim drawn to a concentrate

Telephonic Inquiry

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alton Pryor whose telephone number is (703) 308-4691. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jose Dees, can be reached on (703) 308-4628. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 308-4556.

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